

## **HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MAY 3, 2021**

The Howard County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, May 3, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. in Hearing Room 338 of the Howard County Administration Center. Those in attendance included President Paul Wyman, Vice-President Robert B. Bray, Member Jack Dodd, County Attorney Alan Wilson and County Auditor Jessica Secrease.

The meeting was called to order by Major Gary Cook and conducted by President Paul Wyman. Commissioner Bray led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Commissioner Wyman offered a word of prayer.

### **IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes of April 19, 2021, regular meeting having been previously submitted and reviewed, were approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Dodd, Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

### **IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

#### **PLAN COMMISSION:**

##### **Subdivision:**

Planning Commissioner Greg Sheline submitted a new Subdivision, S and A Subdivision lot at 4249 S. 600 E. Kokomo (Case 4-CP-21). There was a favorable recommendation by the board. There was no remonstrance. S and A Subdivision has one lot and was approved, and it was also approved at the drainage board meeting with no remonstrance. With the new subdivision requests having been heard, Commissioner Bray, made a motion to approve Subdivision S and A Subdivision new lot at 4249 S. 600 E. Kokomo (Case 4-CP-21) as presented. Commissioner Dodd seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

##### **Ordinance:**

##### **Rezoning:**

Planning Commissioner Greg Sheline submitted Ordinance No. 2021-BCCO-18 (Case 6-CZ-21) rezoning of property located at 4249 S. 600 E. from (AG) Agricultural to (RR) Rural Residential. There was a favorable recommendation by the board. There was no remonstrance. With the rezoning of the new Ordinance requests having been heard, Commissioner Dodd, made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2021- BCCO-18 (Case 6-CZ-21) as presented. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

### **IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS AND REPORTS:**

Howard County Auditor Jessica Secrease submitted the following claims and reports for the Commissioners' information and approval:

1. **Salary Claims:** The Commissioners' Salary, Hourly, and Overtime Claims for payment on April 23, 2021 in the amount of \$911,734.54 were submitted and approved on a motion made by Commissioner Dodd. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
2. **Operating Claims:** The Commissioners' Operating Claims to be paid May 3, 2021. in the amount of \$1,061,848.19 was submitted and approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Dodd. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bray, and the motion carried.

### **IN THE MATTER OF ATTORNEY ISSUES:**

Attorney Alan Wilson, submitted Ordinance No. 2021 BCCO-19, this is an Ordinance creating a new fund for the receipt of funding from the American Rescue Plan as adopted by Congress in 2021. Ordinance No. 2021 BCCO-19 was submitted and approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Bray. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dodd and the motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Jerry Paul, President of the Howard County Veterans Memorial Corp. presented an update on the Woman's legacy Monument fund raiser, the fund raiser at the Half Moon restaurant this past weekend was a success. Mr. Paul would like for the County Commissioners to consider donating to help with the completion of the Monument. Mr. Paul is asking for a \$10,000.00 donation to help complete this project, this is above the donation of \$5,000.00 that the County Commissioners have already donated. Mr. Paul stated that the project should be completed mid to end June. Commissioner Wyman stated that they would like this to be dedicated during the Haynes Apperson Festival.

Resident Joe Northcutt, located at 187 N. 1100 E. Greentown, In. Mr. Northcutt ask for some clarification if the ING Solar Company or any other solar or wind company making a filing. Commissioner Wyman stated that the ING Solar Company has filed with the Planning Commission for a special exception, this meeting will be held June 22 at 7pm.at the Event center in Kokomo, In.

Resident Jensen Renbarger. Located at 1168 E. 200 S. Greentown, In. Mr. Renbarger would like to get clarification if there will be a committee(group) to talk about an ordinance addressing the Solar Companies. Commissioner Wyman stated that we will need the appropriate people on this committee(group) such as the planning commission that will oversee the ordinance, at some point there will be a draft ordinance put in place for public review.

Resident Brad Semon, located at 10954 E 100 S. Greentown, In. Mr. Semon is requesting before the Ordinance is written if someone from the Greentown area could represent the residents and be on this committee(group)?

*There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners  
at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 4:19 p.m. on a motion  
made by Commissioner Dodd, seconded by Commissioner Bray, and carried.*

**HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:**

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PAUL G. WYMAN, PRESIDENT

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ROBERT B. BRAY, VICE PRESIDENT

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JACK W. DODD, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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JESSICA SECREASE, AUDITOR

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